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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language references 2, 3, 4, 5 and 15 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. Japanese Application No. 2002-58072 is described in the specification (page 24) and corresponds to USSN 10/375,111. A copy of the U.S. application is attached. See reference 1.
- ☒ 4. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.

- ☒ 5. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office (<http://www.jpo.go.jp>), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 4-15.

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